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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hubert METZNER et al.

Application No.: 10/052,469

Filed: January 23, 2002

**For: THE USE OF A HYDROGEN PEROXIDE
PLASMA STERILIZATION METHOD
FOR THE MILD STERILIZATION OF
TEMPERATURE-SENSITIVE PRODUCTS**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of October 2, 2003. A fee of \$950.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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